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Name of district board.		Persons appointed.
Guntur	...	Mr. V. Ch. John, M.A., L.T., M.L.C.
Tinnevelly	...	Mr. A. Mc. C. Tampoe, I.C.S.
		Mr. Daniel Thomas, M.L.C.
		Mrs. Hannah Sargon Ponnuswami.
Kistna ...	...	Mr. J. Immanuel.
		Dr. D. S. Ramachandra Rao.
		Mrs. A. Catherine Subbarayudu.
West Godavari.		Mrs. Subbaraya Sastri.
		Dr. Ch. S. John, M.B., B.S.

(*d*) The Government have no information on the point.

Grants for maintenance of second-class roads to South Kanara District Board.

* 544 *Q.*—Mr. J. A. Saldanha : Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether Government have reduced the grant for the maintenance of second-class roads to the South Kanara District Board for 1927–28 ; if so, by how much and on what grounds ; and

(*b*) whether it has been brought to the notice of Government by the District Board President that great inconvenience will arise from the reduction of the grant, and whether a request has been made for the restoration of the old grants and increase of it ; and what action has been taken thereon ?

A.—(*a*) Yes, by Rs. 23,917. The reduction is due to a redistribution of the provincial grants admissible to the district board and the taluk boards in the district in the circumstances stated in G.O. No. 1212, L. & M., dated 1st April 1927, extracts from which are appended.[a]

(*b*) Yes. The Government have intimated to the President, District Board, their inability to increase the grant.

Mr. J. A. Saldanha :—" With reference to the clause (*a*) of the answer to this question may I enquire on what grounds the redistribution is justified ? "

The hon. Dr. P. Subbarayan :—" If the hon. Member will refer to the extracts appended to the answer he will find that all the redistribution has gone to the poorer taluk boards."

The hon. the President :—" The time limit for questions and answers having expired the Council will now proceed to the next item on the agenda."

Constitution of Udipi into a municipality.

* 545 *Q.*—Mr. J. A. Saldanha : Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government and the hon. Minister for Public Health be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether Government have received representations from certain people of some village in Udipi taluk, South Kanara, praying that early orders may be passed handing over the administration of the Udipi town and suburbs to a municipality and that ample grants may be made to enable the

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[a] Vide Appendix XI on page 146 infra.